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APPLICANT: Gao, D. et al.) ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: C-31691 US
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)

Applicant hereby requests an extension of time of two months in which to respond to the Office Action dated August 21, 2000 in the above identified Application. That Office Action set a shortened statutory period of one month for response. Please charge \$390 or the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. 19-1025, in the name of G.D. Searle. No other fee is believed payable in connection with this communication; however, if it should be determined that an additional fee is payable, please charge such fee to the Deposit Account identified immediately above.

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